

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1. (Currently Amended) An image commercial transactions system comprising:

a reception dealer for accepting a request for a sale of audio data representative of a song and photographic digital image data with a handling condition associated with said photographic digital image data, for selling said audio data and said photographic digital image data with said handling condition in a digital data format, and for transferring said audio data and said photographic digital image data with said handling condition in said digital data format via an Internet line; and

~~a charge accounting dealer for effecting an electronic accounting transaction for a purchase of said audio data and said photographic digital image data with said handling condition in said digital data format, wherein~~

a server for receiving and storing said audio data and photographic digital image data with said handling condition in said digital data format via the Internet into the server;

wherein said photographic digital image data corresponds to an image associated with the song and said photographic digital image data is representative of a thumbnail image,

wherein said server displays a program table to select and store the audio data and photographic digital image data with said handling condition from the server into said reception dealer being operable to transfer said audio data representative of the song and said photographic digital image data which corresponds to the song to a portable player so as to enable said thumbnail image and said audio data to be simultaneously played thereon.

Claim 2. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions system according to claim 1 wherein said reception dealer generates predetermined additional information for said photographic digital data image and said audio data, and distributes said generated additional information in digital data format.

Claim 3. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions system according to claim 2 wherein said reception dealer distributes said additional information data comprising:

information as to a payment condition for purchasing said photographic digital image data and audio data;

information as to a recorder's history of said photographic digital image data; and

text information data synthesized with said photographic digital image data.

Claim 4. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions system according to claim 2 wherein said reception dealer distributes said photographic digital image data and said audio data subjected to a scrambling process.

Claims 5-17. (Canceled)

Claim 18. (Currently Amended) An image commercial transactions method comprising:

an image scanning or photographing step for converting a picture on a photographic film or an image of an object into a digital image;

a publication step of enabling a reception dealer to produce image data pertaining to a plurality of digital images which are displayable as a plurality of thumbnail images for sale and to publicize said produced image data via an Internet line;

a reception step of enabling said reception dealer to accept a request for a sale of audio data representative of a song and a digital image from said plurality of digital images with a handling condition associated with said digital image;

a sale step of enabling said reception dealer to sell said audio data and said digital image with said handling condition in a digital data format;

a transferring step of transferring said audio data and said digital image with said handling condition in said digital data format via said Internet line; and

~~a charge accounting step of enabling a charge accounting dealer to effect an electronic charge accounting transaction for a purchase of said audio data and said digital image with said handling condition in said digital data format, wherein~~

a storing step of receiving and storing said audio data and said digital image with said handling condition in said digital data format via the Internet line into a server; wherein said digital image corresponds to an thumbnail image associated with the song; and

in said publication step, reception and transferring step, a displaying step of displaying a program table on said server to select and store the audio data and photographic

digital image data with said handling condition from the server
into said reception dealer being operable to transfer said audio
data representative of a song and said thumbnail image
associated therewith to a portable player so as to enable said
thumbnail image and said song to be simultaneously played
thereon.

Claim 19. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions method according to claim 18 wherein said sale step comprises enabling said reception dealer to generate predetermined additional information for said digital image and said audio data, and sell said generated additional information in digital data format, along with said digital image with said handling condition data.

Claim 20. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions method according to claim 19 wherein said sale step comprises enabling said reception dealer to sell said additional information data comprising:

information of a selling price of said digital image and said audio data;

information as to a payment condition for purchasing said digital image; and

text information data synthesized with said digital image.

Claim 21. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions method according to claim 20 wherein said sale step comprises enabling said reception dealer to distribute said

digital image and said audio data subjected to a scrambling process.

Claims 22-39. (Canceled)

Claim 40. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions system according to claim 1, wherein the thumbnail image is an image of an album jacket associated with the song.

Claim 41. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions method according to claim 18, wherein the thumbnail image is an image of an album jacket associated with the song.

Claim 42. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions system according to claim 1, wherein said handling condition includes duplicate limitation information.

Claim 43. (previously presented) The image commercial transactions system according to claim 18, wherein said handling condition includes duplicate limitation information.